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BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Makito MUKAE
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING PNEUMATIC TIRE
Assignee: **BRIDGESTONE CORPORATION**
Our Ref. Q68588

Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above comprising 14 sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract and , 8 sheets of drawings and a Preliminary Amendment. The executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	15	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	1	-	3	=		x	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$740.00
TOTAL FEE									\$740.00

A check for the statutory filing fee of \$740.00 is attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 and any petitions for extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

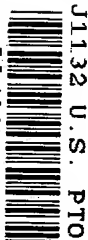
Priority is claimed from Japan 2001-42786 filed February 20, 2001 and Japan 2002-32634 filed February 8, 2002.

The priority documents will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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